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Howard, Hollar Will Attend 26th Annual S. I. P. A. Conference

Adrian Howard, Jimmy Hollar, Bruce Haynes and Roy Pope will represent Augusta at the 26th Annual Convention of the Southern Interscholastic Press Association to be held at Washington and Lee University, April 29 and 30.

Two of the cadets will accompany Major Hoover, adviser to Cadet Publications at Augusta on the first day and then the Editors of the Recall and the Bayonet will attend the Saturday session to go over the critical analysis of both publications.

The Editors will also attend the Banquet which brings to a close the meeting at which time awards for all classes of publications will be made.

Included among the many sessions to be held are Short Courses in Photography, Photographic Print Clinics, Short Courses in Radio, Yearbook, Newspapers, etc.

A Student President of SIPA will also be elected to serve for the coming year.

Further information regarding the speakers selected for the various programs will be announced in the next Bayonet.

65 Cadets Attend Church Youth Mission Rally Meet

65 Cadets of the Augusta Y.M.C.A. attended the Youth Mission Rally held at the First Presbyterian Church, Staunton, Va., Sunday evening, Feb. 6.

This Youth Rally is a yearly project of the Women of First Church to which young people from all the Presbyteries are invited.

300 young people attended this year's meeting which was highlighted by an address on "Youth Must Answer the Call" given by Rev. E. L. Daniel, Board of World Missions, Nashville, Tenn.

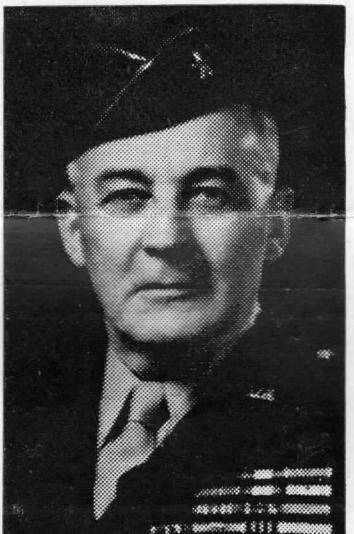
Supper was served all who attended. One of the features of the 3-hour-long program was the singing by the Student Chorus, Wilson Memorial High School, Fishersville, Virginia.

MARCH OF DIMES

\$100 In excess of last year's amount was given in the March of Dimes Program at Augusta this year. The total amount collected was \$222.98 with more reported to be coming in day by day.

This amount came from the cadet corps and faculty.

Major General A. Franklin Kibler, Graduate Of Augusta Dies At Walter Reed Hospital



General Kibler

Major General A. Franklin Kibler, a graduate of Augusta, class of 1913, died in Walter Reed

Rev. Adrian Jones Gives Y.M.C.A. Talk

Rev. Adrian Jones, Durham, N. C., gave a talk on "Who are You?—Why are you Here?—Where are You Going?" at the Y.M.C.A., Sunday, January 25.

Mr. Jones is a graduate of Pilgrims Bible College, Kernersville, N. C., and is now attending Shenandoah Conservatory of Music, Dayton, Va., majoring in voice and minoring in piano.

His talk explained that "all of us have a purpose in life" and gave as an example a young man lost in a blinding snowstorm two miles from his cabin. His purpose was to get back to the cabin and to safety and warmth. He had his purpose but he took the wrong path and perished.

Augusta Faculty Members Taking Extension Courses

Two members of the Augusta faculty, Capt. Herbert Lucas and Major Paul Hoover are attending the University of Virginia Extension Courses held every Thursday evening at the Wilson Memorial High School, Fishersville, Va. The courses taken this semester will be the "Teaching of Reading" and are given by Prof. W. L. Behrens.

10th National High School Photo Contest Gives \$5000 In Prizes

Students at Augusta still have time to get in on the opportunities to win fame and fortune in this year's National High School Photographic Awards, contest headquarters has announced.

Closing date is March 31. Winners will be announced in May when a total of 256 cash prizes, amounting to \$5,000 in all, will be awarded.

Students don't have to be experts to enter and win prizes, either, headquarters points out. In past years some of the top awards have gone to students who have used just the simplest "box" cameras to snap prize-winning photos.

The entries will be judged in four classes: (1) School Activities; (2) People; (3) Pictorials, and (4) Animals and Pets. The first award in each class will be \$300, second will be \$200, third, \$100, and there also will be a \$50 special award in each class. In addition 240 honorable mention awards of \$10 each also will be given.

Col. C. S. Roller, Jr. Approves Senior Privileges To Cadets Meeting Diploma Requirement

"Senior Privileges" became a reality again when Col. Charles S. Roller, gave his assurance to F. E. Wirkus that he would grant this privilege to members of the Senior Class who would graduate in June.

This was the same privilege that was granted the Seniors a year ago by a special committee of faculty and cadets who met to draw up the set of rules.

All old cadet seniors shall have the privilege to apply for Senior Permits on Saturday nights from 6:30 P. M. to 11:00 P. M. They shall be allowed to go to Staunton, Waynesboro, or Harrisonburg. These permits to start on January 8, 1955. Only those boys who have dates at Fairfax or Madison College will be allowed to go to Waynesboro or Harrisonburg. The names of dates must be on their permits and approved.

All new cadet seniors shall have the privilege to apply for two (2) permits a month to Staunton alone, from 6:30 P. M. to 11:00 P. M.

No senior who has failed two (2) or more subjects for the preceding month to which the year applying for permit will be allowed to go on Senior Permit.

If there is any evidence of any

'A' And 'C' Companies Hold Winter 'Snow Ball'

Initiating the winter social season at Augusta, "A" and "C" Companies held their winter "Snow Ball" in the Junior Recreation Room, Saturday, January 24.

Dancing was in full swing from 8:30 to 11:30 under the leadership of Cadet Captains T. C. Lea and Chip Ray.

Covering three walls of the room were banks of snow covered pine trees. The fourth wall was covered with white paper and decorated with colored balloons.

The serving table had massed pines and snow covered pine cones surrounding a buffet supper of chicken salad and minced ham sandwiches, pickles, potato chips, celery, deviled eggs, cookies and punch.

After the War he was attached to the United Nations as a deputy to Gen. Mathew Ridgway.

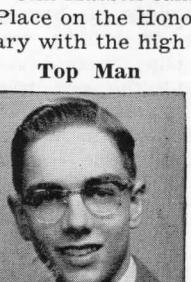
In 1948 he went on his last regular assignment of helping set up aid to the Western Union, the alliance of 5 nations bound by the Brussels Pact.

Funeral services were held at Ft. Meyer followed by burial in Arlington National Cemetery.

Honorary pallbearers were Gen. Mathew Ridgway, Gen. Thomas Handy, Gen. Charles Bolte, Gen. Jacob Devers, Gen. Charles D. Herron.

Jim Hassell Top Man On February Honor Roll

Jim Hassell



Jim Hassell

divided between the Junior and Senior School.

The remainder of the Honor Roll in order of averages is: Jim Turner, T. C. Lea, Tom Petty, Bill McVey, Larry Spillan, Steve Tomasek, Larry Long, Tony Webster, Paul Jaeger, Freddy Womer, Mark Lovell, Willis Lovell and Marty Cohen.

Father Innocent Speaks On 'God And Christianity' At Sunday Vesper Service

Father Innocent of the Capuchian Order of Monks, Staunton, Va., was the principal speaker at the regular Sunday evening meeting of the Y.M.C.A. Jan. 7.

He took as his subject: "What is Christianity and Who is God". He began his talk by questioning his audience and from these answers he brought out that "Christianity is the carrying out of God's words by putting into action what we believe to be the right way and the way of the Lord."

A week later he made a private and special talk to the Catholic boys.

misconduct whatsoever on the part of any senior, his privilege will be immediately taken away for the remainder of the year. It should be noted that the present senior class wishes in consideration for these permits to obligate itself, as have the preceding classes, to regulate the conduct of its members while the year on this permit. Any violation of the regular school permit or any conduct unbecoming a senior at Augusta will be dealt with by the senior class, and if the person or persons accused are found guilty the senior class will recommend to the Student Body Officers and to the Principal severe penalty in addition to the loss of the senior permit of the guilty party.

Each Saturday night the officers of a certain company will be required to stay in barracks to help with the disciplining to the Corps. A list of each company's Saturday night will be given to the Company Commander of each company.

Cotillion Club Holds Annual Barn Dance

The annual Barn Dance will be held Saturday, Feb. 19 in the Memorial Gymnasium.

According to Col. Roller, principal, "this dance is more popular than any other dance excepting the Final Ball for it is the only dance that appeals to all ages".

Music will be furnished by a "real live Hill-Billy Band" and it will feature "Call Your Partner for the Square Dance".

Decorations will feature the gym changed into an old-fashioned barn with all the trimmings—hay, corn stalks, pigs, geese, etc.

Pictures will be taken of the dance which will appear in the next Bayonet.

Capt. And Mrs. Lucas Fete Junior Students

The head of the Junior School at Augusta Military Academy, Capt. Herbert Lucas, and Mrs. Lucas, feted the Junior School cadets with a gala Christmas party, held in the spacious, decorated Recreation Room of the Academy, on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 11. assisting Capt. and Mrs. Lucas were Mrs. Annie R. Thompson, Mrs. H. B. McCrum, Mrs. W. Leonard Gardner, and Capt. and Mrs. O. A. Davis.

The Social Room was banked with decorated Christmas trees, with streamers of red and green covering the ceiling. Colored cones, bells, holly, and sprigs of evergreens were added to the streamers where they crossed. In the corner, a decorated tree was lighted and held surprise favors, wrapped in Christmas colors of red and green. Members of the Junior School had drawn Santa Claus and several Christmas scenes which decorated the posts.

Cadets Attend Barter Theatre Comedy Play

Twenty cadets from Augusta attended the Barter Theatre Performance of "My Three Angels" at King Auditorium, Mary Baldwin College, Staunton, Feb. 4th.

This play was the final in a series presented by Staunton-Augusta Chapter of the Mary Baldwin Alumnae Association.

Earlier in the school year the cadets had the opportunity of seeing "Hamlet" by the same organization.



AUGUSTA LOSES A LOYAL SUPPORTER AND FRIEND



Dr. W. W. Sprouse in his Flower Garden.

Dr. Sprouse was more than just a regular speaker at the Augusta Y.M.C.A. for the past seven years. He was one of the most devoted friends our school has ever had.

In reality he gave his valedictory at Augusta the week prior to his entrance in the University Hospital at Charlottesville. His talk was on the "Most Important Thing in Life". After the talk was concluded about 100 cadets of the assembled 125 thronged to the platform to thank him for the wonderful message he had brought.

That to us was the finest tribute we could have given him. In his death our school has lost a man of God, education and inspiration.

"THE FIGHT AGAINST INFANTILE PARALYSIS"

The majority of the boys and girls of today do not realize what it would be like to wear braces, walk on crutches, or lie in bed the majority of the time. We cannot picture ourselves watching games instead of participating in them. The worst of the diseases which inflict disabilities such as these is infantile paralysis, known to many of us as polio. On Jan. 3, 1938 a foundation was established by Franklin D. Roosevelt for the prevention and cure of this dreaded disease. The funds obtained by voluntary contributions are used for scientific research, education and emergency aid in epidemics.

Perhaps many of us have had friends who have been disabled by polio. We have seen them struggle to obtain the level of an average boy or girl, and many of them have succeeded, but only through the contributions of the people. It is hard to realize, but someday our best friends, sisters brothers or even ourselves may be victims of polio. The only assurance we have against infantile paralysis is through our own contributions. If each cadet of Augusta Military Academy would do without ten cents (the equivalent of two cokes) and donate that sum to the "March of Dimes" perhaps a boy or girl may become as normal as we, ourselves are today.

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WASHINGTON'S LEADERSHIP IS NEEDED TODAY!!

Today in most of the schoolrooms across the nation, and perhaps especially in Virginia, the students will be laboring over compositions involving cherry trees, silver dollars, Valley Forge, Yorktown, and the story of the man who could have been king.

The Continental Congress brought Washington to the national scene as commanding general in those hectic days of 1775 when independence was not the issue so much as liberty. George III, however, was not in a conciliatory mood toward the insurgents and in the mind of the Congress all though of compromise was soon overcome by a wave of indignation and a new burst of patriotism.

Washington took the field armed more with courage than firepower, strong in faith but weak in regiments. The Congress could offer little legal support. It passed resolutions, not laws, and it issued requisitions, not orders.

Tom Paine said "These are the times that try men's souls." Washington must surely have agreed. Then came the French Alliance, victories at sea, a fresh supply of troops, the battle of Yorktown, and after that—peace.

The lessons of the period of the Confederation were not lost on Washington. He realized that a weak nation having an ineffective government would remain the pawn of European diplomacy.

A man who had beaten the British at war

might be able to defend the nation at peace. Washington as president demonstrated the moral character and devotion to duty which had distinguished him in the field. His appraisal of policies which would serve the national interest has proved more accurate in the view of historians than the opinions of his brilliant associates Hamilton and Jefferson.

In 1794 John Jay signed a treaty with Britain that was immensely unpopular at home. The treaty was a diplomatic victory for the British and Americans were incensed. Washington, however, felt that the treaty would prevent war at least for a time, and at his insistence the Senate confirmed the pact.

Washington, the man, did not have the administrative genius of Hamilton or the philosophic depth of Jefferson. Yet he was less emotional and more reasoned in his approach to government than either of them. He had executive ability and the capacity for sound leadership which the new nation needed more than theories or rhetoric.

He had one hope—peace; one goal— independence; and one guide—justice.

The present emergency demands leadership in this tradition, if our country is to preserve the independence won by the men of Washington's time.

FOR ALL TO FOLLOW, NOW, IN THE FUTURE

Two well-worn utterances of Abraham Lincoln help to explain the character and conduct of the man who was born a nobody 146 years ago today and now "belongs to the ages." He had not blind confidence in ancient wisdom or experience. "The dogmas of the quiet past," are inadequate to the stormy present." Nor did he think it wise or practical to plan the future too far ahead. "Few can be induced to labor exclusively for posterity. Posterity has done nothing for us."

So there he stands, by his own confession, at the perpetual pivot of history which is the present day. He claimed no kinship with great men of times gone by. He admitted no knowledge of the destiny of the nation he saved from disaster. He had courage sufficient to endure

the day, and wisdom to meet its clamoring problems and perplexities. His humility, his tolerance, his humor, his habit of prayer were all dedicated to today.

Many have wondered how Abraham Lincoln might serve and guide the American people in these confused and troubled times. How might he answer questions on which the world's peace depends, and the lives of millions of people? How much would he use the authority of his office, and how long-suffering would his patience be?

Lincoln's life answered these questions, and much that he said and wrote. "I do the very best I know how—the very best I can; and I mean to keep doing so until the end."

Alumni News Events

'54

Robert W. Meals is at the United States Military Academy at West Point.

Parker Ward, Bob Weant, Pete Stone, and Kenneth Hoke are at University of North Carolina.

Mike Bottino is at M. I. T., where he has already pledged to the S.A. E. Fraternity.

Ed Dulin is at the University of Maryland.

Joe Eagles is at North Carolina State College.

Manley Caldwell is at Washington and Lee University and has already pledged to Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity.

Gilbert Goldstein is at the University of Pennsylvania.

Pat Stanton is at West Virginia University.

Bernard Cockrell is at the University of Virginia, where he is a member of the Rotunda Players.

Huntr Cox is at Hampden-Sidney, and is playing a little end on the varsity football team.

John Bell is at V. M. I., plays football and will swim.

Francisco Hernandez is at V.P.I. Ricardo Alvarez is now attending the University of Havana.

'53

Alexander Wattay is at the U. S. Naval Academy and making his usual excellent grades.

Lewis Mundin and Hansford Duval are both in their second year at Hampden-Sidney.

'52

Bob Stivers is in his third year at Washington and Lee. This past summer Bob announced for WTON in Staunton.

David H. Gebhardt has been in Korea since last March. In June he received his "Letter Sweater Award" for his football playing last fall at North Carolina State College.

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Next is a cup which is bigger in diameter than a volley-ball, the

Commandant In Best Squad**"Columbian Bazaar Prize"**

Back beyond the reaches of our present day century we go as a silver mug is taken from the shelf. First the date catches our eye—1893. Then we read slowly "Columbian Bazaar Prize for the best drilled squad." But the words that

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'INSIDE OF FENCING'

By Jim Hassell And Hugh Harman
Fencing Captains

Fencing is a contact sport, a contact of steel, not of fist or bodies. Everyone, who grasps the blade to learn the sport, has an equal chance as any other person who has the same desire. Weight

Co-Captain and muscle makes no difference as far as advantage is concerned. If one has love for the sport of fencing, and determination to learn he can easily learn to fence, with

Hugh Harman practice and hard work. Hugh Harman

To me there is nothing more inspiring than to see a fencer on the strip, clad in white, masked, gloved, and armed. Through the mesh of the mask his eyes gleam brightly but coldly. The foil quivers in his hand at the guard position and his legs are cocked like steel springs.

Like a hawk he watches each of his opponents movements. Head and body bent slightly forward, he is tense and expectant of a coming attack, ready in a split second to parry and repost or see an opening for his own attack, in which he has confidence will find its mark and score a point.

Fencing calls for all-out skill, condition, timing, and above all an alert brain.

The object of the sport is to outwit your opponent, to score on him more than he scores on you, i.e. to beat him. To accomplish this you must use every human reserve of physical endurance, every muscle must be tense and ready to spring, wit and craft.

When I am fencing I have the feeling that instead of being masked and padded and a blunt pointed foil in my hand, I am there striped to the waist, facing an opponent with a deadly weapon. Only one of us will leave the scene.

Because of this I am more cautious, more determined, and the bout is more enjoyable. I try to make myself believe that if I am careless, less concentrated, less crafty than my opponent, I will feel the warm blood come from a slit shoulder or the cold steel shoot through my lungs.

Fencing is a sport in which every muscle is used. It develops quickness of the mind and gives you the ability to judge the character of a person in a short time. Fencing is a gentlemen's sport and you must be a gentleman to fence honestly and fairly.

V.S.D. Raiders Top A.M.A. Five; 65-43

The Scarlet Raiders of the Virginia School for the Deaf made it 15 straight Feb. 8 as they dumped Augusta Military Academy, 65-43, on the VSD court. Coach T. C. Lewellyn's charges took the win calmly.

Four Raiders hit in double digits, Smith leading with 15.... Yates 13; Landes, 12, and Thomas, 11 King, of AMA, had 14 points to join this select circle.

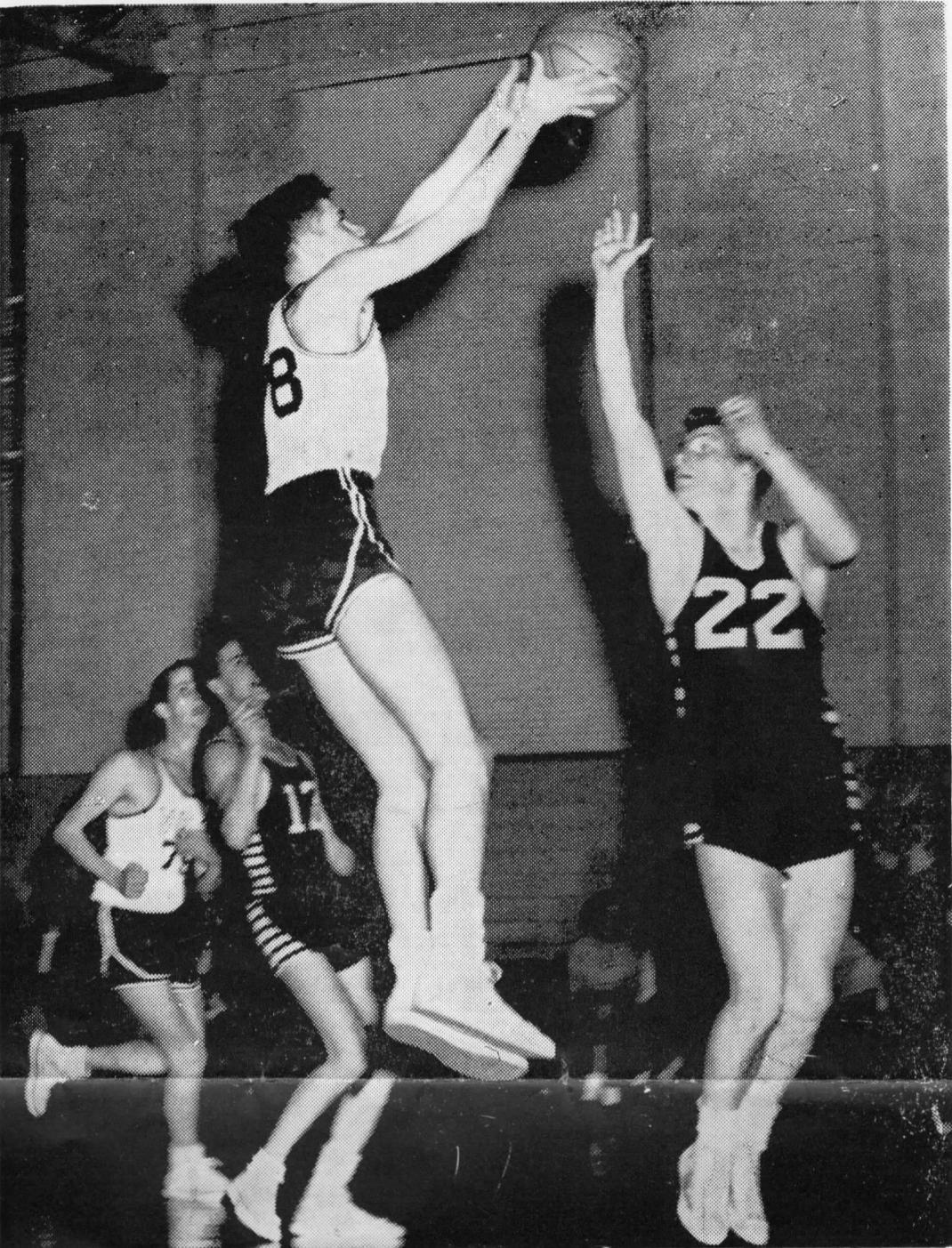
The Raiders journey to Roanoke Saturday to engage a strong Star City Club of the Deaf quintette there.

Box scores:

	G	F	T
Yates	4	5-6	13
Ramos	1	1-2	3
Smith	7	1-2	15
Hankins	2	3-4	7
Landes	4	4-6	12
Thomas	4	3-4	11
Hess	2	0-0	4
Parks	0	0-0	0
Webb	0	0-0	0
Gill	0	0-0	0
Totals	24	17-24	65
AMA (43)	G	F	
King	6	2-4	14
Byrd	0	0-2	0
Mariner	3	0-0	6
Totals	18	7-21	43

Augusta Swimmers Sink Virginia Freshman; 45-30

VIRGINIA EPISCOPAL SCHOOL'S CHAFFIN TRYING TO SCORE



HE WENT UP, UP, UP—Alex Chaffin, VES forward, went high in the air to get off this shot—but it missed. Frantically trying to block the shot is Steve Rodgers of AMA (22). Moye of VES and King (12) are visible in the background. (Lynchburg News Photo)

Tiger Quintet Swamps New Hope School: 52-24

The Augusta Tiger Basketball Team made it 4 out of 6 games as they swamped the New Hope Elementary School 52-24 in a game played at New Hope, Feb. 9.

Dick Yates led the victors with 22 points and Ty Tomasek was next with 16.

Tom Crowe made 14 points for New Hope to lead his teammates. Augusta's record to date is:

Tigers 32	.....	Mt. Sidney 26
Tigers 25	.....	Craigsville 40
Tigers 54	.....	New Hope 20
Tigers 30	.....	Craigsville 36
Tigers 52	.....	New Hope 24

Box Score

	G	F	T						
AMA (52)				23	12-21	19	60		
Yates	10	2	22						
Tomasek	8	0	16						
Petty	4	0	8						
Jones	1	0	2						
Rhodes	2	0	4						
Corbell	0	0	0						
McVey	0	0	0						
Morgan	0	0	0						
Parra	0	0	0						
Eye	0	0	0						
La Rue	0	0	0						
New Hope (24)									
Bergman	3	6							
Crowe	7	14							
Flory	1	2							
Driver	1	2							
Hunter	0	0							
Desroche	2	0-0	4						
McAllister	1	0-1	2						
Gossom	0	2-4	2						
Crotts	3	1-3	7						
Chichester	2	2-5	6						
Sheffer	1	0-2	2						
Totals	24	17-24	65	23	12-21	19	60		
AMA (43)	G	F		23	12-21	19	60		
King	6	2-4	14						
Byrd	0	0-2	0						
Mariner	3	0-0	6						
Totals	18	7-21	43	23	12-21	19	60		
VES	15	14	19	12	60				
AMA	12	7	4	17	40				

Marshall, Holloran Star As Each Take Two Firsts

Chuck Marshall and Jack Holloran each took two firsts as Augusta Military Academy's swimming team defeated the University of Virginia freshman January 19, 45-30.

Marshall won the 100 yard breast stroke and the individual medley, while Holloran placed first in the 50 and 100 yard free style events.

Augusta also won in the 200 yard free style with Jim Lanks, and in the 200 free style relay with Jim Petty, Bruce Haynes, Marshall, and Holloran.

Virginia took three firsts: in the back stroke, with Doug Canterbury; in diving, Bob Phillips; and in the medley relay, with Canterbury, Phillips and Tom Palmer.

The scoring:

50 yard free style: 1. Holloran (A). 2. Haynes (A). 3. Hubby (V).

100 yard breast stroke: 1. Marshall (A). 2. Phillips (V). 3. Hume (A).

200 yard free style: 1. Lanks (A). 2. Beck (V). 3. Webster (A).

100 yard back stroke: 1. Canterbury (V). 2. Sommers (A). 3. Hubby (A).

100 yard free style: 1. Holloran (A). 2. Palmer (V). 3. Haynes (A).

Diving: 1. Phillips (V). 2. Petty (A). 3. Garrett (A).

150 yard individual medley: 1. Marshall (A). 2. Canterbury (V). 3. Beck (V).

Medley relay: Virginia—Canterbury, Phillips, Palmer.

200 yard free style relay: Augusta—Petty, Haynes, Marshall, Holloran.

Navy Plebes Outtouch AMA's Green Fencers

Augusta's green fencing team put up a game but losing fight against the superior Navy Plebes Swordsman. The score was 22-5.

All of the bouts were hard fought despite the lopsided score. Many of them could just as easily have gone the other way but Navy was too strong to be upset.

Aberaldo Aguiar and Bill Trapnell shared honors by winning 2 bouts apiece in sabre and epee respectively. Nestor Moya accounted for our other point in sabre.

The cadets engaged in their first encounter with the electrical epee. Bill Trapnell had six consecutive doubles touches with his opponent Don Tate of Navy before winning 7-6.

Results:

Foil: Hassell (A) lost to Klos (N) 5-3; Harmon (A) lost to Studer (N) 5-3; Cooper (A) lost to Schaff (N) 5-4; Harmon (A) lost to Studer (N) 5-2; Hassell (A) lost to Schaff (N) 5-3; Handy (A) lost to Klos (N) 5-2; Hassell (A) lost to Reid (N) 5-2; Harmon (A) lost to Schlong (N) 5-3.

Sabre: Moya (A) won from Lyons (N) 5-1; Aguiar (A) lost to Moitin (N) 5-3; Ebersberger (A) lost to Pittenger (N) 5-4; Aguiar (A) won from Lyons (N) 5-1; Ebersberger (A) lost to Moitin (N) 5-3; Pittenger (N) 5-4; Ebersberger (A) lost to Polk (N) 5-4; Moya (A) lost to Estep (N) 5-3; Aguiar (A) defeated Hardy (N) 5-2.

Epee: Davies (N) defeated Mojarrietta (A) 3-1; Trapnell (A) defeated Tate (N) 7-6; Moss (A) lost to Thatcher (N) 3-2; Trapnell (A) won from Davies (N) 3-2; Moss (A) lost to Thatcher (N) 3-2; Davies (N) 3-1; Trapnell (A) lost to Davies (N) 3-2; Mojarrietta (A) lost to Thatcher (N) 3-2; Phillips (N) won from Ross (A) 3-1; Trapnell (A) lost to Brown (N) 3-2.

VES Scores First Win Of Season

Virginia Episcopal School's basketball forces, held pretty much in check in the first period, pulled out in front in the second quarter and had little trouble moving to their first win of the season against Augusta Military Academy at VES, January 27.

Jim Woolery played a bangup defensive game and Larry Moye was a big cog in the VES offense. Jim McGee helped nicely with rebounding power as did Ranny Turner, another reserve.

Scoring honors went to Moye with 13 points and Chris Towe with 12 and Woolery with 10 were close behind. Herb King was high for AMA with 11 points.

In a preliminary game, the VES junior varsity routed the AMA reserves 58-37 as Marshall (Whale) Long scored 20 points for the Baby Bishops.

Riflemen Stop F. M. S., Massanutten; Lose to RMA

Augusta Military Academy's rifle team has won a match by the narrowest possible margin, beating Fishburne Military School in Waynesboro 1346 to 1345, Jan. 28. The best possible score was 1500.

Sharpe who led the FMS team scored 280 out of a possible 300.

The AMA squad was led by Wirkus, who shot a 274.

Summary:

AMA: Wirkus, 274; Pupo

CAPT. J. D. KRAMER YIELDING PRESIDENCY OF RURITAN CLUB TO HIS SUCCESSOR



CAPT. KRAMER recently hands over gavel to incoming President, Carl Spitzer at New Hope, Va., Ruritan Club Meeting.

"Shelves Of Memories"

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really attract our attention are located in the space provided for the names of the squad members. For here, with six other names, we see Cadet T. J. Roller, Cadet W. C. Roller and Cadet C. S. Roller, Jr.

Apple Blossom Festival

Two cups, for 1946 and 1947, also reside in this case. They were given at the Winchester Apple Blossom Festival those corresponding years for the best marching unit, Augusta. One is a tall gold cup (1946) and the other, a smaller silver trophy (1947). With hearts and heads held high, the Augustans hope to gain this award again this year, should we attend the festival.

Baseball Champs In 1923

Back to 1923 as we extract a medium sized cup from the case. This cup was presented by the Alumni Club at the University of Virginia to the A. M. A. Prep School Championship Baseball team. Many highflying balls were snatched from their atmospheric journey and bases were rounded not a few times in order that A.M.A. might come into possession of this award.

Boxing Trophies In Majority

Six cups now are taken out at once. All these concern the South Atlantic Prep School Championship in boxing. The first cup states that Augusta was runner up in 1933 in this drive for the title. Likewise, A.M.A. was runner up in 1935 and in 1938 and these cups rest in the commandant's office. In 1939, 1940 and 1943, Augusta was the winner in the pugilistic contest and three large cups commemorating these facts sit behind the Big Boy's desk.

Oppleman Trophy Awarded Yearly

One of the largest cups to rest in the office is the Oppleman Trophy which is inscribed annually to the best team of the year. It was donated by an alumnus, I. P. Oppleman who graduated from A. M. A. in 1918 and was last year awarded to the basketball team for their fine showing. We can't help wondering to which team it will be awarded this annum. The swimmers won it in 1952-53-54.

These and a host of others line the shelves of the commandant's office. In days to come, the cadets of the future will look at these trophies and their minds will travel back along the highway of time to that brief moment of glory when the award was given—and then placed on the shelf to collect the dust bestowed upon it by "Pater Tempus".

Col. Roller Attends Lexington Presbytery For Old Stone Church

Col. Charles S. Roller, Jr., was the delegate from the Session of the Augusta Stone Presbyterian Church at the meeting of the Lexington Presbytery held at the First Presbyterian Church in Staunton, Jan. 25.

Col. Roller is an Elder at the Old Stone Church.

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William Willoughby, II, was married to Miss Doris J. Lindsay, at Atlanta, on Oct. 16. Bill graduated from M.I.T. this past June.

Bob Bradford is President of his fraternity, Lambda Chi Alpha, at Washington and Lee University where he is also the ranking student in the R.O.T.C., as Commander of the "Gaines Guard", with of student Lieutenant Colonel.

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Dr. John K. Jennings, Jr., was graduated this past June from the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery and will practice in Florida.

William T. Aldrich brought his wife by Augusta at Finals, on his way home after his discharge as an Army Lieutenant at Fort Eustis, Va.

James W. Grove was married recently in Charlottesville, Va., with quite a few A.M.A. boys in attendance: Tom Milstead, '47, as best man and Howard Dull, '47, as one of the ushers.

'47

Thomas G. Milstead has recently returned from Korea where he was a Lieutenant in the 72nd Transportation Truck Company. He entered the service in 1952 after his graduation from the University of Virginia.

George Petty Heads Special Priviledge List

George Petty made the top average to clinch first place on the Special Priviledge List. His average was 89.80—having missed the Honor Roll by .2 of a point. George is a member of the Tiger Basketball Team.

The balance of the list is: Burrell, Garcia, Bergman, Jim Meier, Ebersberger, Roger Quimby, Dick Clotfelter, Griggs, Gray Hume, Rhode, Staudt, Luke Snyder, Harmon, Lanks, Jim Petty, Wirkus, Gossum, Howard, Jack Lovell, Cutright, Childress, Mangin, Foley, Rossadavita, Moss, Johnston, Yates, Abdullah, Babione, Jim Hume, Wagner, Morgan, Bickford, Jones, Mahanes, Faubion, Freile, Scanlon, Hollingsworth, Sheldon Quimby, Gonzales, Cuesta, David Lea, Bob Haynes, White, Parra, Tom Corbell, Garrett, Genau and Buchanan.

Counting both lists of the Honor Roll and Priviledge List almost one third of the school made the honor lists.

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NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

Jack Holloran and **Charles Marshall**—"To make a Place on All-American Swim Team."

Roy Pope—"To Make up Complete Guard Roster For One Week in Advance."

Coach Taylor—"To defeat Fishburne in Basketball."

All New Cadets—"Not to be late for any Formation."

Nestor Moyer—"Not To Lose Any Bouts in Fencing this year."

John Chichester—"To Stop playing Basketball."

Joe Bryant—"To Make the Honor Roll at least Once."

Chuck Emmons—"To Pass Algebra II."

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Elton Parker—"To Get into West Point."

Charles Clements—"To Become an Admiral Before he retires."

F. E. Wirkus—"To Be High Man in Second Army Rifle Match."

Ed Burke—"To Forget Love for his Studies."

Galen Metro—"To Have the Lacrosse Team ready by March 6 when swimming is over."

Sgt. Lawrence—"To Win the Military State Title."

Capt. Lucas—"To Find Room for one more boy in 'J' Barracks."

The Cadet Corps—"To Have Super-Rooms at S. M. I."

Major Christy—"To Win G-I Honors again for Augusta."

Bill Trapnell—"To Keep Out of Study Hall."

Chip Ray—"To Pass Every Subject Every Month."

\$189 Given For Orphans Christmas Dinner At YMCA

\$189.00 was collected at the final Y.M.C.A. Meeting, Dec. 12, for the Christmas Orphanage Dinner. This amount was considerably larger than last year.

Capt. and Mrs. Herbert W. Lucas took the food for the dinner to the Presbyterian Orphanage, Lynchburg, Va., on Dec. 20.

100 lbs. of turkey, 100 lbs. of sweet potatoes, 100 lbs. white potatoes, cranberries, grapes, oranges, grapefruit, peas, candy for 3 meals, fruit salad, fresh lettuce, celery, onions, olives, marshmallows, and many other items too numerous to mention.

When questioned about his trip to Lynchburg, Capt. Lucas stated: "Augusta can be proud of itself this year—more than in previous ones. As we all know how hard the state was hit last summer by the severe drought, no one realizes how much the Orphanage depended upon their own crops to help feed all at the Orphanage. This year more than ever before our dinner was most welcome."

A basket with a turkey, potatoes, cranberries, etc., was also taken to "Queenie" Miller, the aged colored woman who for so many years took in homeless children. She told Capt. Lucas: "Thank God for the kindness our friends at Augusta. It came as an answer to our prayers."

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20 Miles By 150 Miles

The average width is twenty miles, and from Winchester to Natural Bridge, a distance of 150 miles, lies the dwelling place of many of our nation's first families and their ancestors. Near here, the valley is divided by the Massanutten Mountains which run parallel to the Blue Ridge and to the Alleghany Mountain ranges. It divides the Shenandoah River into two forks which meet again at the termination point of the mountains.

"Daughter of Stars"

Shenandoah is an Indian name meaning "Daughter of Stars", and according to tradition, was first applied by the Indians who called the river by that name. Today, both forks are still called the Shenandoah River. Long before the coming of the white man, the Indians dwelled in this section of the country and relics of his wars and inhabitation are still being found.

Rich Association

The Shenandoah Valley is rich in its association with famous men. Alexander Spotswood's, then gallant band, crossed the Blue Ridge in 1716 and celebrated the expedition by founding the order of the "Knights of the Golden Horseshoe". Young George Washington came into the Valley in 1748 to survey the estate of Lord Fairfax. In 1853, while gathering material for his "Life of Washington," the valley was visited by Washington Irving who wrote "Here I am, in the center of the magnificent valley of the Shenandoah, the great Valley of Virginia. And a glorious valley it is—equal to the promised land for fertility, far superior to it for beauty, and inhabited by an infinitely superior people—choice, but not chosen."

"The Manse"

In 1856 at "The Manse" in Staunton, Woodrow Wilson was born. Winchester which was the center of Indian life for two hundred years, is today called the "Key City of the Lower Valley" and is the scene of the great annual pageant, the Shenandoah Apple Blossom Festival.

Old Stone Church

About two hundred yards from Augusta Military Academy's campus is the Old Presbyterian Stone Church which was built in 1740 and has endured the elements since that time. It served as an Indian fort in time of need and the outlines of the old fort may still be seen on the ridge about the church.

"Willow Spout"

Slightly beyond "White Hall", home of Col. and Mrs. C. S. Roller, Jr., is the nationally famous Willow Spout which has flowed since pre-Civil War times. Workmen were laying a pipe line through the Valley and one night, ceased their labor at the base of a willow tree. During the night,

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someone turned the water on and it flowed to the bottom of the tree. This plant was hollow up to a height of about three feet where there was a crack and when the workmen returned the next day the water was gushing from that crack. They decided to abandon the project and the water has continued to run into the tree.

Jackson At Willow Spout

During the Civil War, Stonewall Jackson and his troops would camp at Willow Spout, the tired soldiers cooling their feet in the refreshing water. Many of Jackson's campaigns were conducted near here and his "Valley Campaign" is studied by students of the military the world over.

Caverns Galore

Also found in the Valley are such natural wonders as the Natural Chimneys, Grand Caverns and many others.

To those who serve the Shenandoah Valley with all her manifold blessings of climate, location, resources, and social conditions, it seems no way remarkable that thousands of strangers from other lands have made Virginia and the Shenandoah Valley the place of their adoption. If ever there was a place that offered irresistible attractions to home-seekers, that place is the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia.

'JUNIOR BARRACKS NEWS'

Who does all the things in the Barracks—like tearing up—"Mr. Nobody"! Ask the members of the Third, Fourth and Fifth Grades to recite the Poem "Mr. Nobody" author unknown. Tommy Corbell learned the poem first. Marker Lovell thought he couldn't learn it. Of course, Mrs. Davis doesn't believe talk like that. He said it. So did Stewart Garrett, Johnny Bickford and Omar Abdallah.

Spelling is being studied if you notice the spelling grades. Remember, Spillan and Womer—How about that hundred next month!

Tommy Corbell had a birthday February 3rd. The class had a surprise.

How about this record for S.M.I.? Only two rooms have missed first or super all year. Once the other week day we received second. Did we ever scrub, scour and clean for the next S.M.I.? Watchout cob webs!!

Stewart Garrett and Gustave Vetencourt are really out for swimming. Both work every day. Garrett dove against V.M.I. last week. Tom Petty swam in two events: diving and the individual medley.

The Tiger Basketball Team has a number of "J" Barracks boys: David Rhode, Norris Corbell, Bill McVey and Larry Levin. Capt. Kramer is the coach of this team.

The Junior Play Room is a busy place—games of all kinds—Capt. Lucas and Lt. Coleman are always making or mending something.

The sleds have been used on a frozen steak of snow just about big enough to slide on.

Terry Collins and Alan Cutright have been on the job as Barracks' O.D.'s.

Tim Staudt room in 343 now.

Parra likes to go to town.

Dwight Nadreau is still our slow poke.

Paul Jaeger and Sammy Spindel like to dust the floor!

Richard Grammer is never late.

Have you noticed 342 lately? It is really kept nice. Booty Hubbard, Ed Crawford, Donald Link and Norris Corbell do a good job.

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